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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer Rules

For me, this has been a dilly of a summer. You noticed the dry spell, the little wet spell, and the hot humid spell? A suffering golfer asked me "what happened to the greens?" At this writing, I have two greens in a fearsome battle with goose grass, one green suffering from draught damage and four greens are thin from flood.

By the first of September I should see my turf situation greatly improved, but my members will recall only that it was another bad summer. As I look back, I have never had a good summer in the past 15. What is my problem? Could it be management, air or water drainage, poor construction, grass variety, what? Maybe I should just close during the summer. None of these offer a good solution, but if I could regulate the weather, at least I wouldn't have to close during the summer.

We won't close and you all are doing a spartan job "Keeping the Green;" it is just that your president has the summer blues. So let me apologize as your president for displaying some patches of brown grass, and whoever has the solution to my Summer Blues, please step forward.

Bob Milligan

Editors note: Don't worry about it Bob. You haven't got a monopoly on having brown grass this summer, believe me! Come over and I'll show you!

NEXT MEETING

The September meeting of the MAGCSA will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at the Cavalier CC in New Castle, Delaware. This will be a joint meeting with the Philadelphia group.

Our host is Arthur Menard, super at the club since 1965. Arthur served five years in the Coast Artillery during WW II. He served his apprenticeship under Paul Weldion Sr. at Rock Manor Club and when Mr. Weldion retired, he took over as super there, spending a total of 15 years at that one club. Arthur has two sons who both work for him.

Cavalier was designed and built by Russel Roberts in 1960.

Golf will be played after noon with the dinner meeting following as usual.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB

Go north on Rt. 95 which is Delaware Turnpike to Churchmans Road. Turn right and cross the cement bridge, turn right again, and go about 500 yards to the clubhouse.

MEETING PLACES

Sept. 9 – Cavalier CC in New Castle, Delaware. Joint meeting with the Liberty Bell Group. Host Arthur Menard.

Oct. 14 – Woodmont CC in Rockville, Md. Ladies will be welcome to attend this meeting. Host Bob Shields.

Nov. 10 — Burning Tree CC. Meal and business meeting will be held elsewhere. Place to be announced. Host Richard Anderson.

Dec. 9 – Indian Spring CC. This will be our annual election meeting. Host Ed Dembnicki.

JOB OPENING

Sparrows Point CC in Baltimore is looking for an assistant superintendent. Good salary plus fringe benefits. All applicants must have college education in turf management or related fields. Marital status can be married or single but military obligation must be fullfilled. For further information, contact Alex Watson, Golf Course Superintendent, Box 6650, Sparrows Point Country Club, Baltimore, Md. 20014.

NEW POSITION

Dick Silvar from Baltimore notifies us that Bob Orazi has resigned as the assistant superintendent at Sparrows Point CC to accept the position as superintendent in charge of construction for the new Valley Hunt and Golf Club in Phoenix, Md. Ground has been broken and the target date for the opening of the 18 holes is set for July 1, 1970. Bob was Al Watson's assistant for 2 1/2 years. Prior to that he was working as superintendent of seeding for the Colonial Gardens Golf Course

Construction Company. Good luck Bob, we wish you continued success.

UNDER THE WEATHER

Word reaches us that Ruth Milligan has been in the hospital for nearly two months. President Bob says it wasn't anything too serious and that she is home now and feeling much better. Bob also sends his thanks for the flowers and concern from the association.

Also heard the moustached super from Westwood CC in Vienna, Jack McClenahan, has been attacked by his arch enemy, his bleeding ulcer. Jack was in the hospital for five days and seriously has had a real ten rounder with it. At any rate, he is back on the job again. What? Me worry?

ACCIDENTS CAN HAPPEN - BE PREPARED

Last month we reviewed two items from the May issue of the Golf Journal concerning first aid on the golf course. We will now look at two more of the more common accidents which do occur frequently on the links.

Problem - Heart Attacks

Heart attacks are becoming more frequent each year. The layman usually hits the panic button, and many times the person having the attack is not helped too much before he is seen by the physician.

First aid care of heart attack cases is quite easy to determine simply by watching how the victim acts and then helping him. First, if he is in pain (usually pain in the chest and left side, sometimes down the arm) he should be kept quiet. Let him lie down if he can do so comfortably.

If he has medication, help him take it and watch very closely to see that he can breathe easily.

Sometimes the victim is stricken quite suddenly. He may fall, or seem to faint. Be certain to watch his color. If he begins to turn blue, watch his breathing. If breathing should stop, administer artificial respiration until a doctor arrives.

Problem - Sprains

Sprains are usually injuries to joints. A turned ankle, elbow or wrist will swell very rapidly and will be painful and extremely uncomfortable. Cold applications should be administered immediately, and the victim should rest.

If there is any doubt about a sprain, it should be treated as a fracture until a physician can see it.



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